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With quarry comes jobs

At a time when the national economy is in a deep recession, we are all looking for solutions that will protect our region from further financial impacts such as those brought on by the downturn in the housing market.

Construction jobs are disappearing as development companies are cutting costs and laying off workers in an attempt to survive in the current market. As other sectors of the business community begin to follow suit, the outlook is bleak for those still trying to find high-paying local jobs.

It is time to start seeking opportunities to bring in local jobs and tax revenue and stop turning away those businesses and industries that seek to provide them. As one who worked for several years in the aggregate industry, I appreciate Granite Construction's interest in establishing a rock quarry near the Riverside/San Diego county border. The proposed Liberty Quarry project presents a perfect opportunity for local jobs and a huge boost to the local economy. Our elected officials and local residents should embrace this opportunity for additional jobs.

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[gunner](#) said on: January 10, 2010, 3:58 pm

If the construction industry is in a depression. as Rick Kellogg states, then why would we need another granite mine in the area. We recently had one open about seven miles South of Temecula, and we have 'umpteen', quarries in Riverside County.

It would behoove Granite Construction at this time, to start looking for a different area to mine in, away from the beautiful City of Temecula.